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Coronagraphic Phase Retrieval

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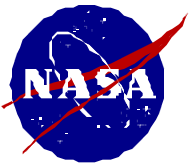
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Abstract

We discuss and show results of simulated high spatial frequency *phase retrieval* through a Lyot type type *coronagraph* with a 7 segment primary mirror.

We desire to accurately determine the wavefront spatial frequency components responsible for focal plane "speckle" and, ideally, remove them, effectively creating a dark hole in the focal plane for direct planetary detection.



Viewgraphs at <http://jansky.gsfc.nasa.gov/OSCAR>

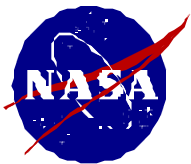
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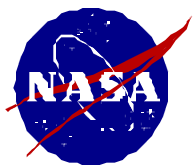
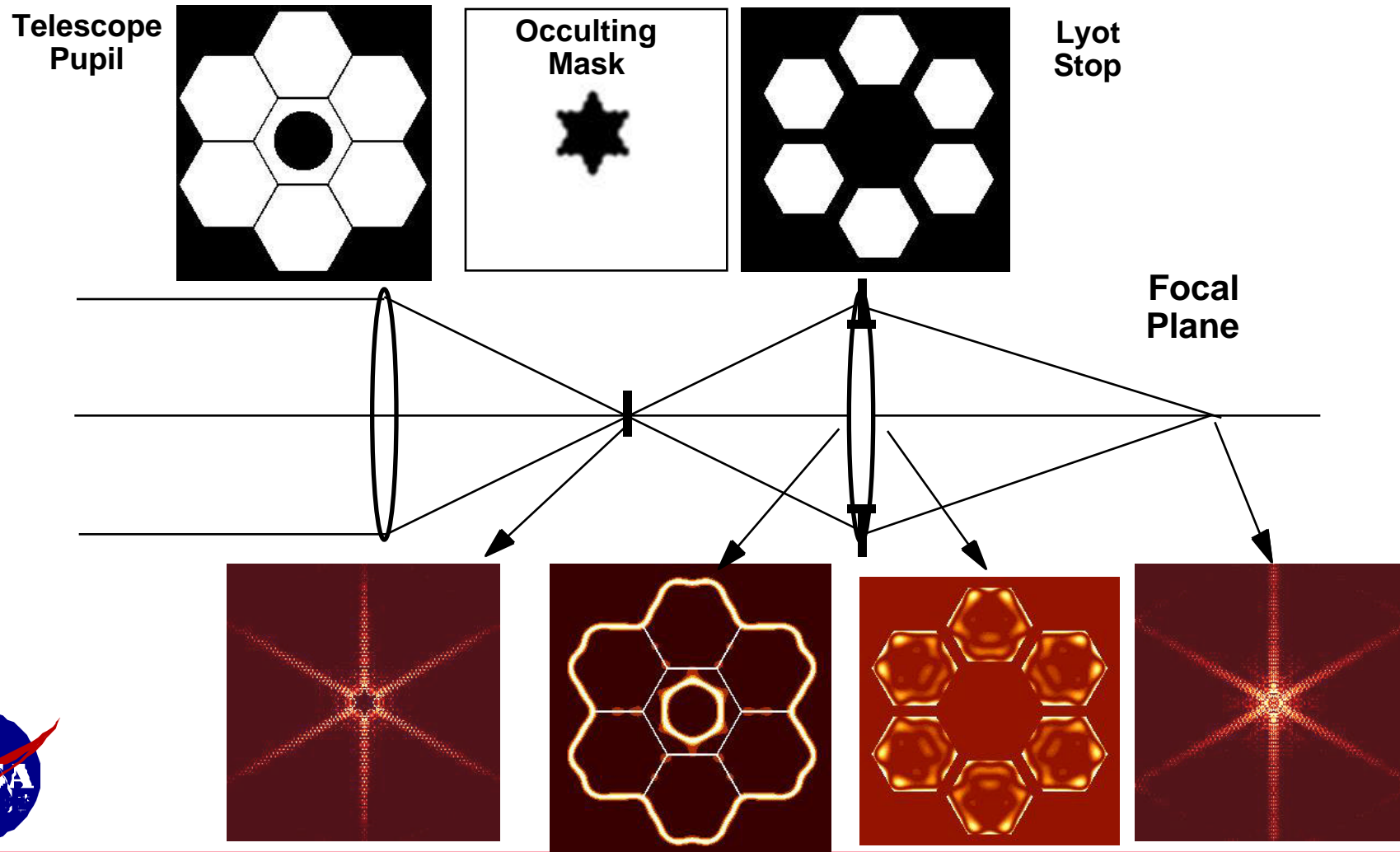
Coronagraphic Precision Wavefront Sensing

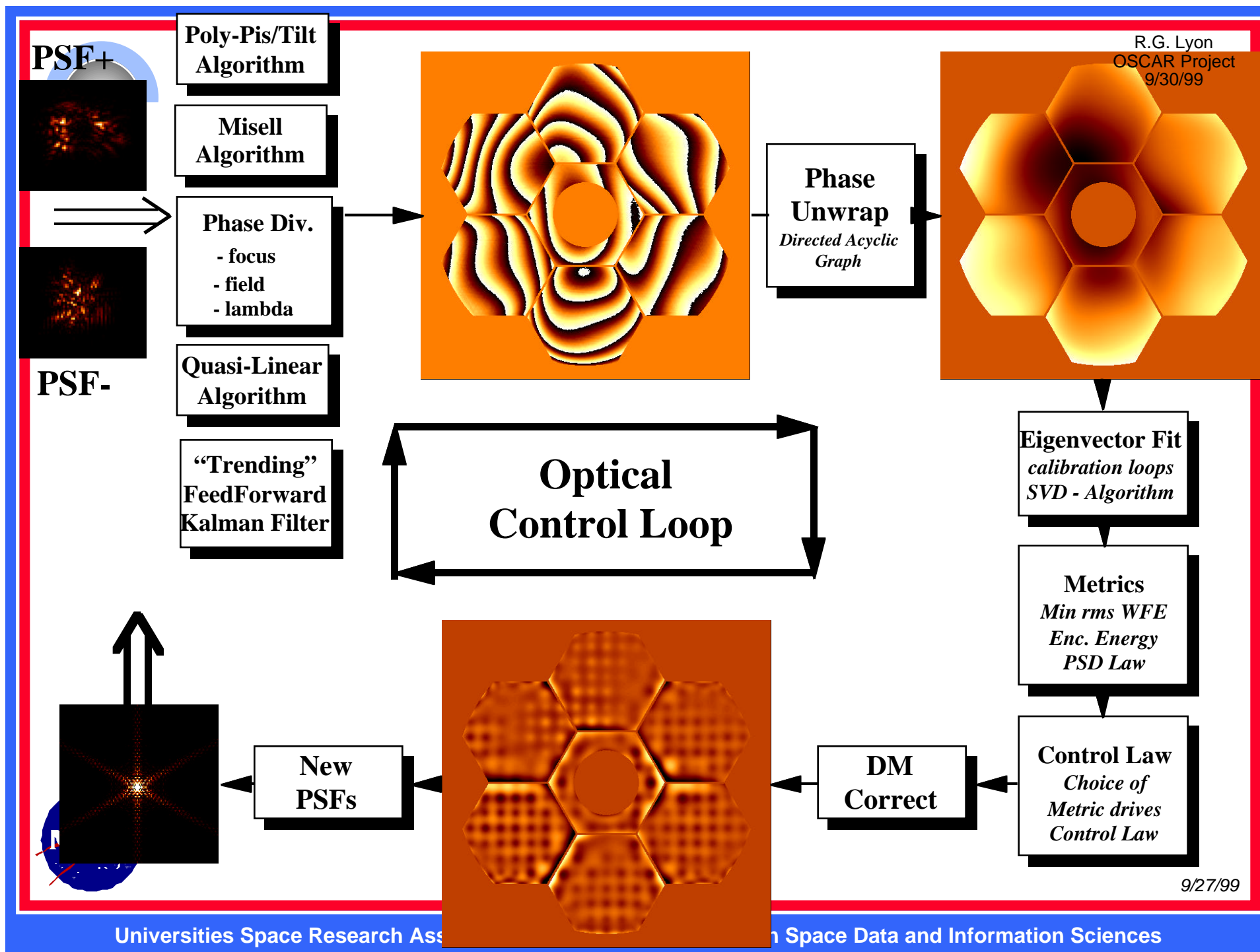
- **High Contrast Origins Science Strategies (HCOSS)**
Coronagraph proposed as a science instrument for NGST.
J.Trauger (JPL), R.Lyon(GSFC) et.al.
- **NGST => segmented actuated PM, 6 DOF SM and active optical bench <=> WFE~10 cycles/aperture, $< \lambda/14$ diffraction limited**
- **Coronagraph => speckle limited** due to coherent scatter from residual WFE.
- **Studied high spatial freq wavefront sensing, via phase retrieval, “tweeter” DM to remove speckle.**
 - phase retrieval “sees” entire optical path to focal plane of coronagraph.
 - little additional hardware required.
- **Simulate phase retrieval through coronagraph**
 - coronagraph removes diffraction core in PSF.
 - Apodized PSFs => greater SNR for in PSF wings.
 - *hypothesize*
 - higher accuracy for high spatial freq. phase retrieval
 - lower accuracy for low spatial frequency phase retrieval
- **Demonstrated *proof of principle***





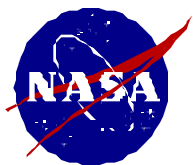
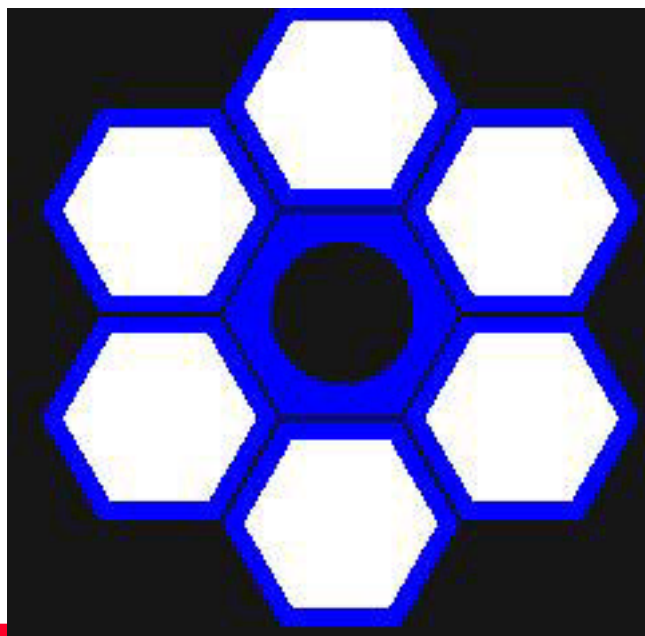
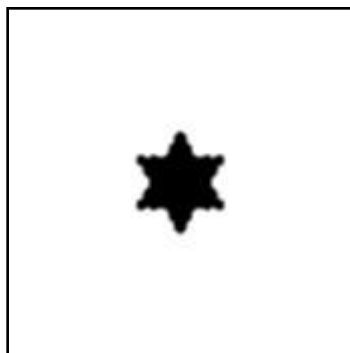
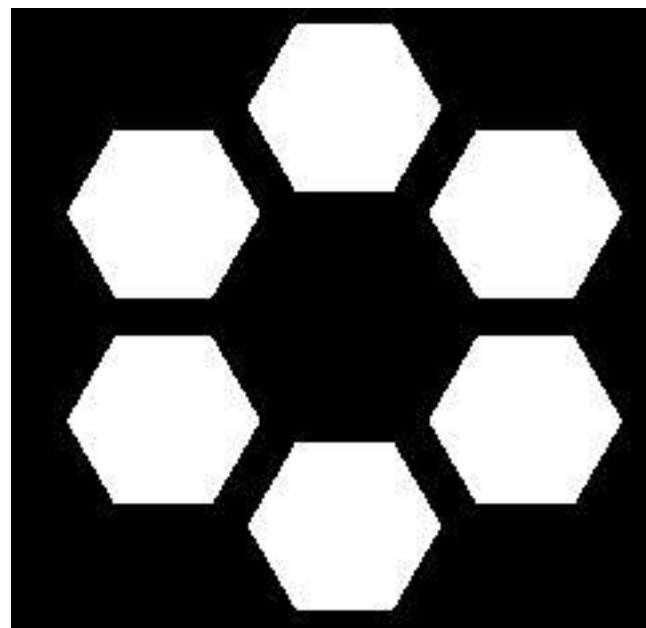
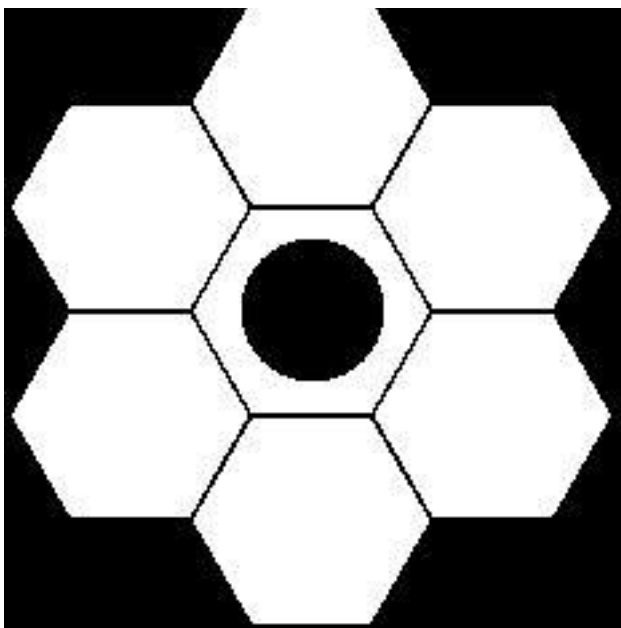
Principle of Lyot Coronagraph



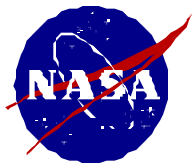
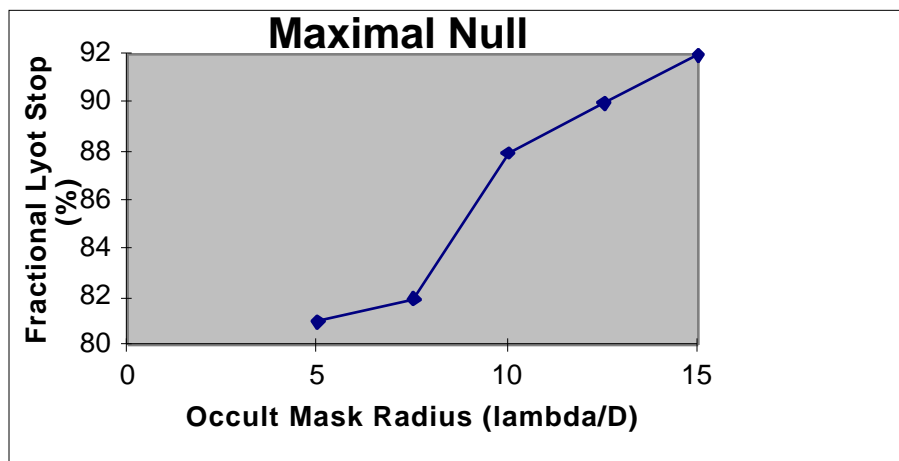
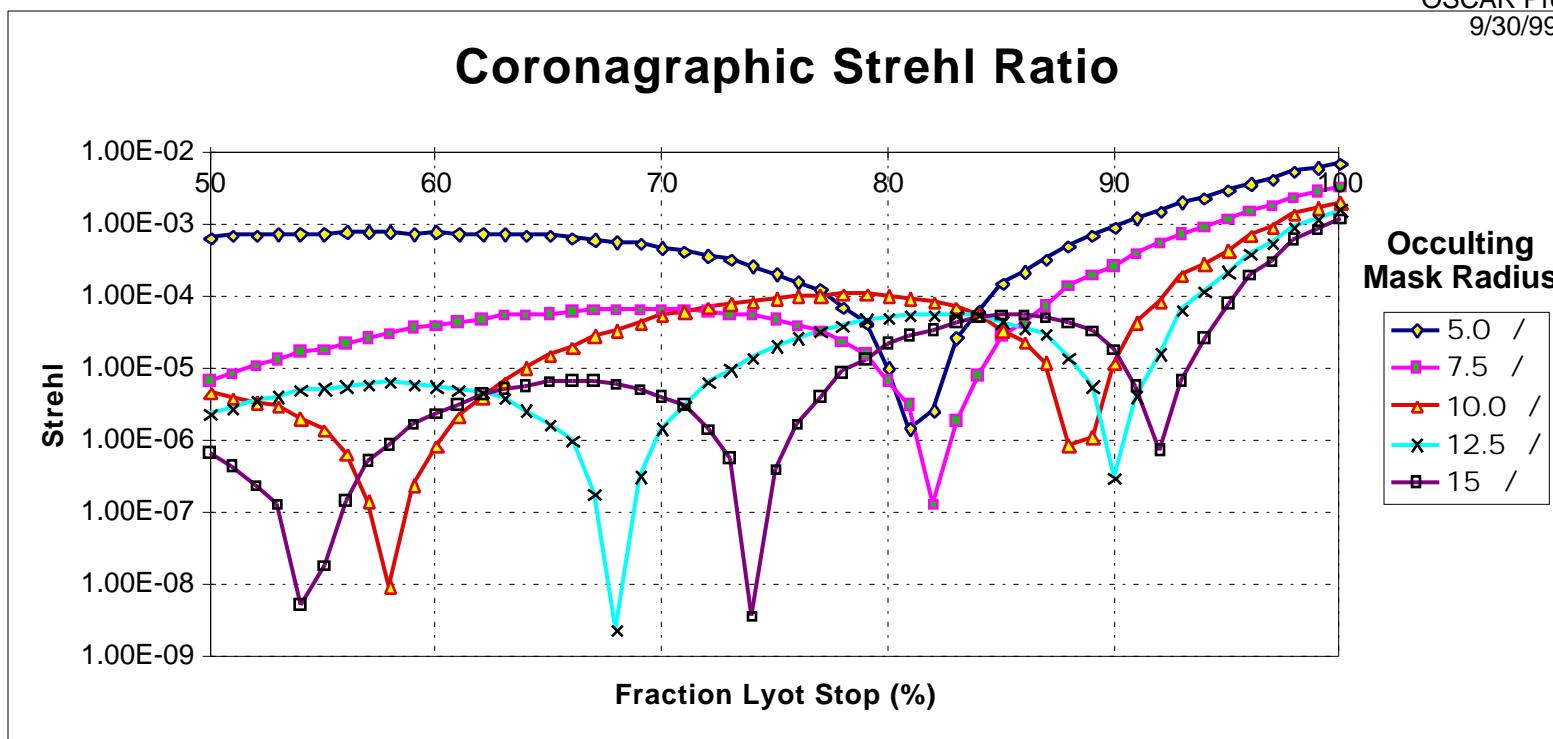




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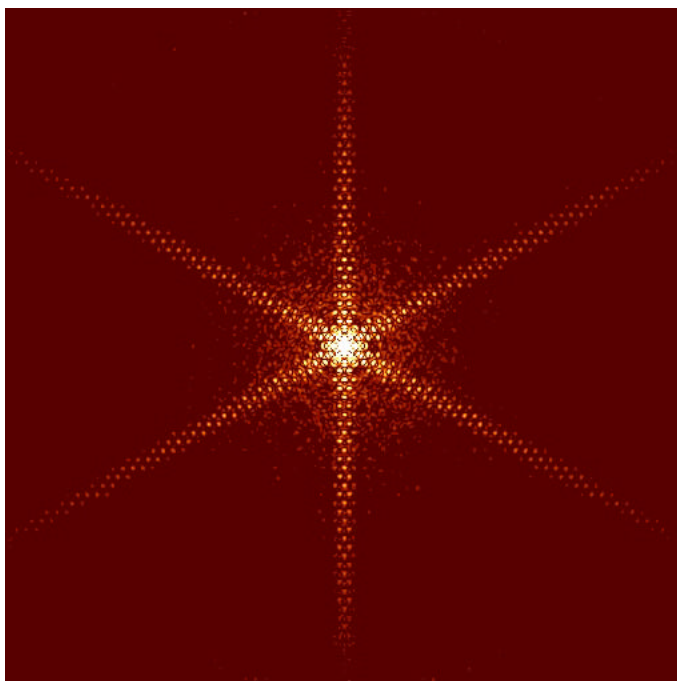


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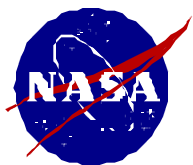
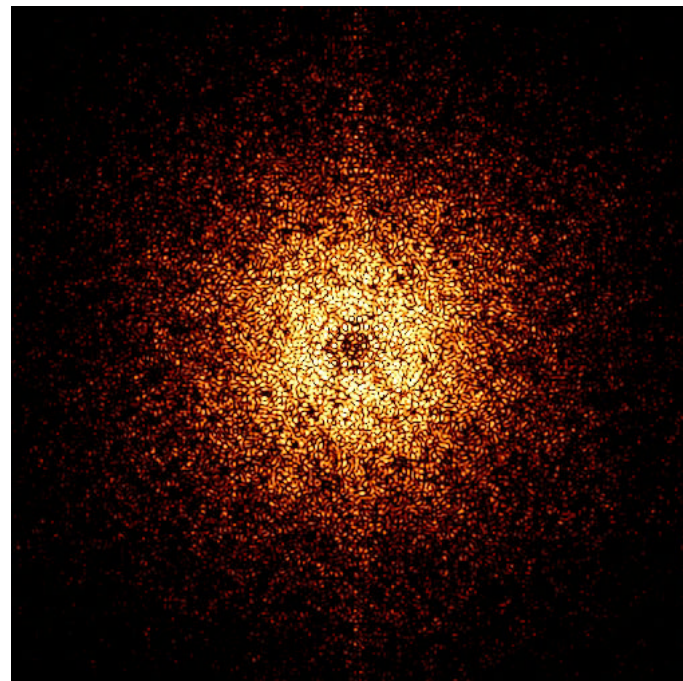




Raw PSF
without Coronagraph



Coronagraphic PSF
Before Phase Retrieval
Speckle Removal



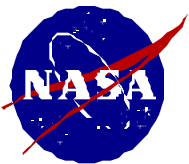
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Misell Type Phase Retrieval Simulation

- 20 x 20 grid of mid-range DM => 10 cycles/aperture correction
- Occulting mask with ave radius of 10 rings ($10 \lambda/D$).
- Nulls at 57% and 88% Lyot stop, 88% Null for max photons
- 12 bit detector, 5 ADU gaussian noise, quantization, no jitter
- 4 psfs $\{-2, -1, +1, +2\} \lambda$ of focus, scaled to max dynamic range.
- Used 4 psf Misell type algorithm w/zero phase as start pt.
- Rapid convergence, only few cases run to date.
- Will run large Monte-Carlo simulation.

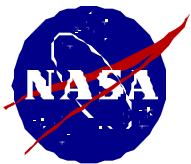
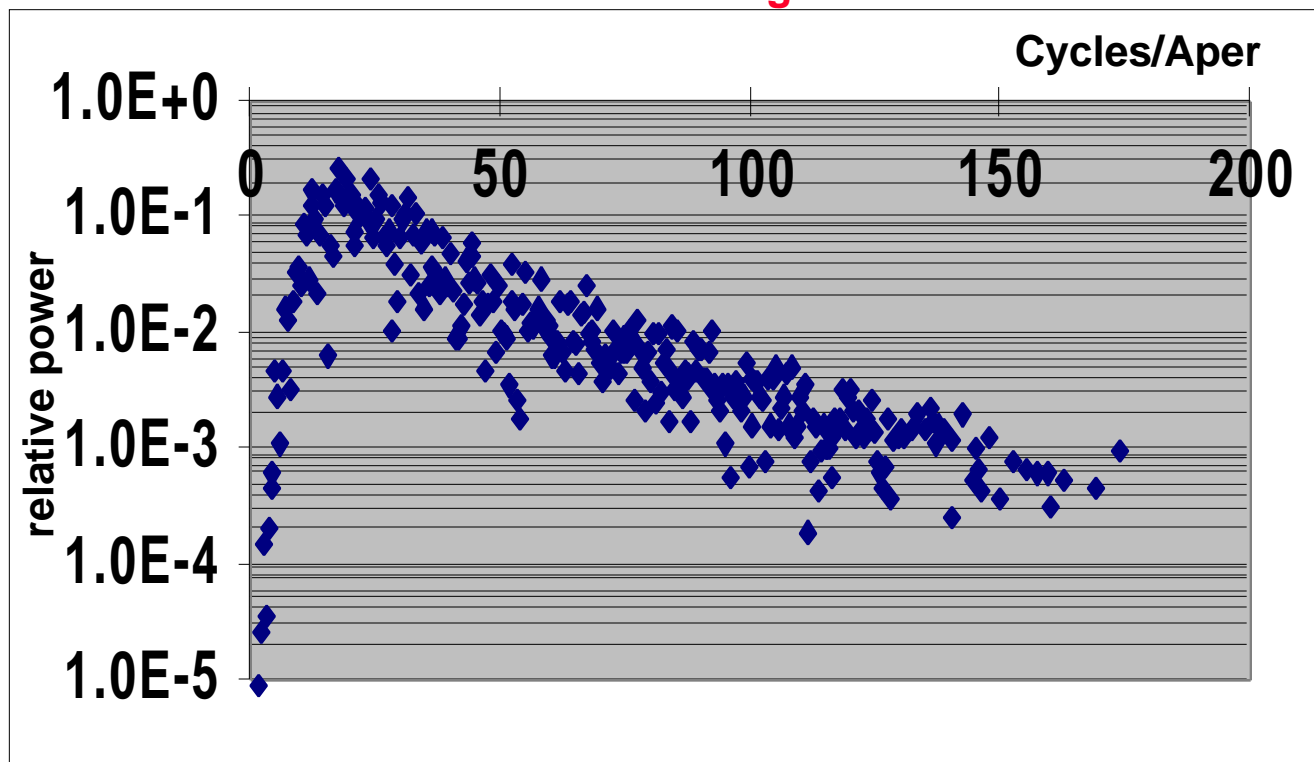




PSD of Mid-range DM Phase Correction

- Total WFE: $\sigma_T \sim \lambda/14$ after Mid range DM,
- $\text{PSD}(f) \sim 1/f^2$
- for $f > 10$ cycles/aperture, $\sigma(\text{WFE}) = \lambda/40$ (HST) .
- In simulation assumed roll up to 10 cyc/aper.

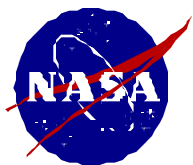
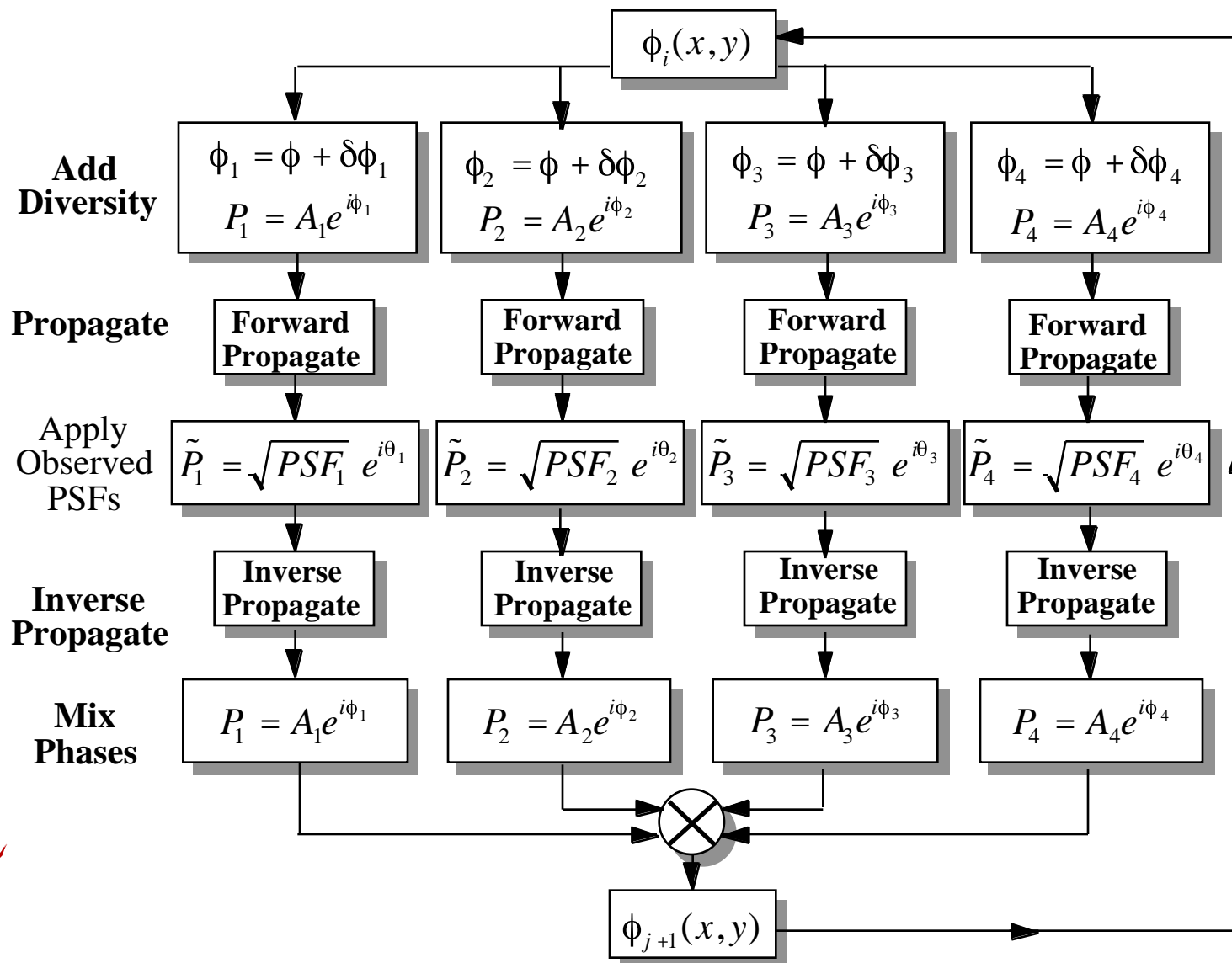
Wavefront PSD after mid-range DM correction



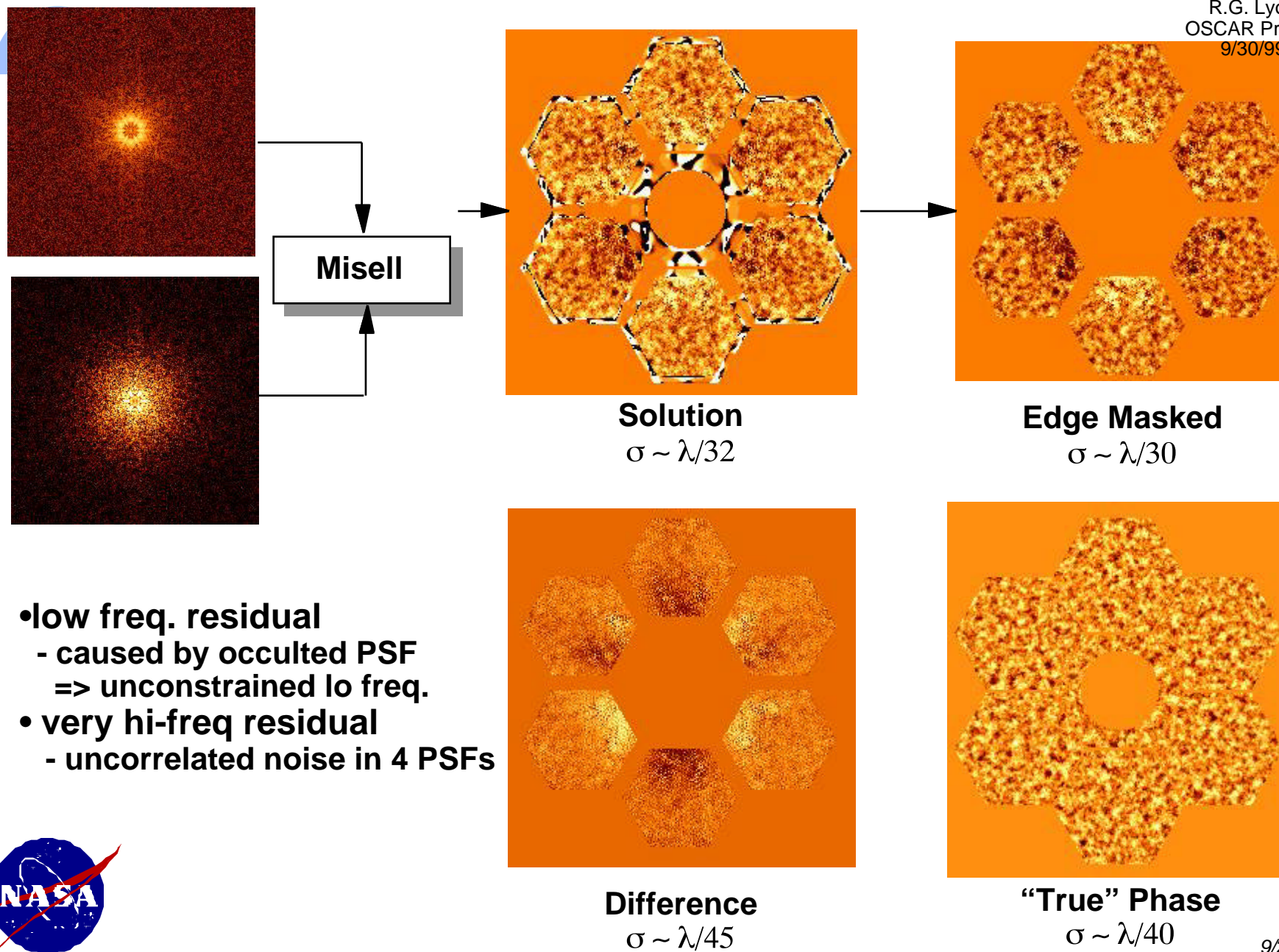


4 PSF Misell Type Phase Retrieval Algorithm

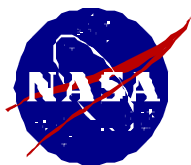
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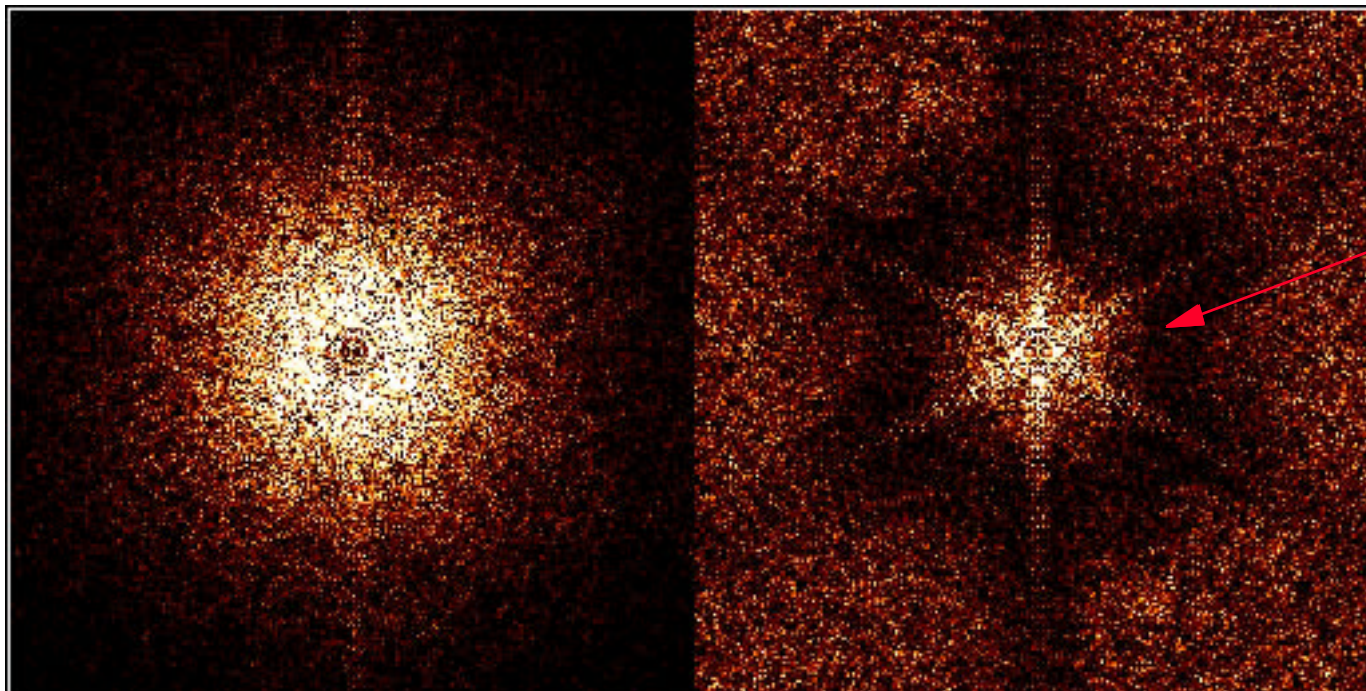
- low freq. residual
 - caused by occulted PSF
=> unconstrained lo freq.
- very hi-freq residual
 - uncorrelated noise in 4 PSFs



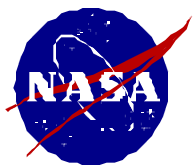


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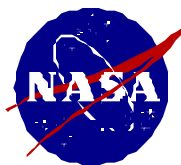
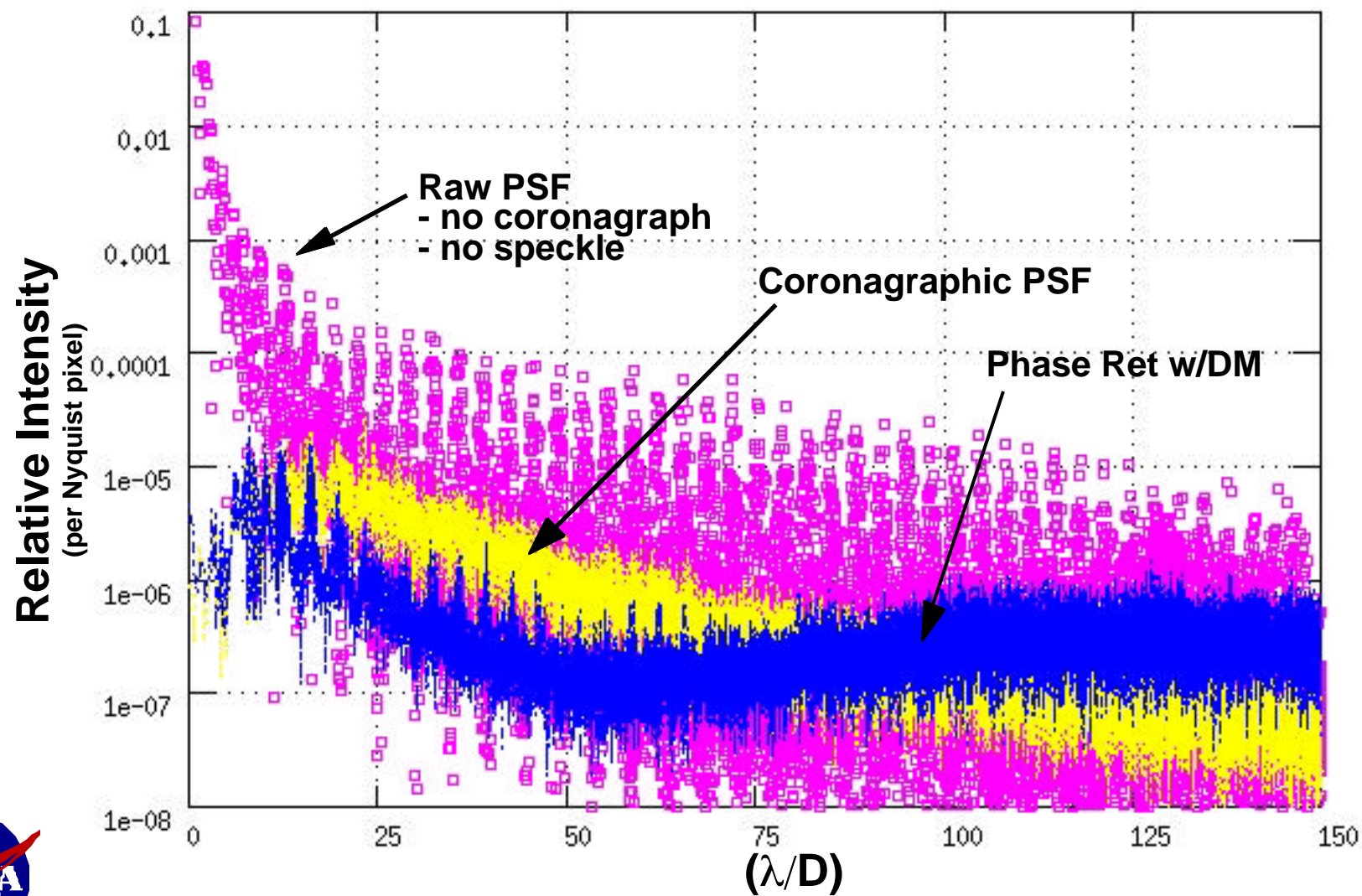


Dark Hole



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Results and Future Plans

- **Results**

- Coronagraphic Phase Retrieval possible with segmented mirrors.
- Low freq PR induced errors should be removed before “tweeter” DM.
- Accuracy/Precision not yet known.
- Effects of jitter not yet known.
- Effects of fit to “tweeter” not yet known.

- **Plans**

- Run large scale Monte-Carlo simulation to assess accuracy/precision
- Include:
 - **ranges of low, mid and hi-spatial frequencies.**
 - **telescope LOS jitter.**
 - **noise, quantization, sampling, pixelization**
 - **residuals due to mid- and hi-range DMs**
 - **etc...**

